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In re Application of : Matus et al.
Serial No. : 10/605,259
Filed : September 18, 2003
For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
AUTODETECTION OF CONSUMABLES
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**REQUEST TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP IN NON-PROVISIONAL APPLICATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.48(a)**

For the reasons set forth herein, Applicant respectfully requests correction of the inventorship of the above-captioned application to include James F. Ulrich as an inventor.

Enclosed herein, in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.48(a), please find the following.

- A statement from the inventor to be added, James F. Ulrich, evidencing lack of deceptive intent

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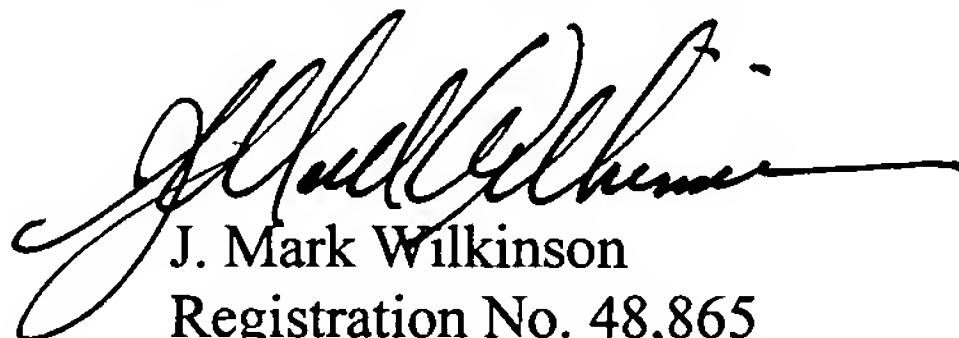
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- A declaration executed by the actual inventors, Tim A. Matus and James F. Ulrich
- A statement from the Assignee of the above-captioned Patent agreeing to the change of inventorship pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b) and supporting documentation.
- A Credit Card Authorization in the amount of \$130.00 associated with the entry of this Petition.

Applicant cordially invites a Patent Office representative to contact the undersigned, should any matters require discussion or remain unresolved.

Respectfully submitted,



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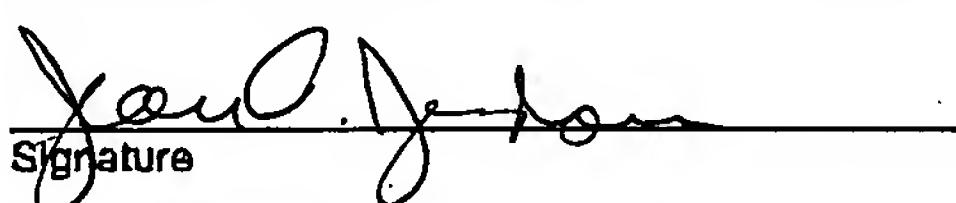
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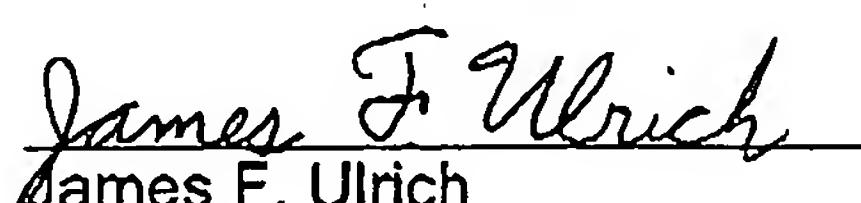

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STATEMENT OF INVENTOR TO BE ADDED

I, James F. Ulrich, by signing below, do hereby affirm that the inventorship
error of failing to include myself as an inventor of United States Patent
Application 10/605,259 occurred without any deceptive intent on my part.

Sincerely,


James F. Ulrich



PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence/post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AUTODETECTION OF CONSUMABLES

the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following box is checked:

was filed on 9/18/2003 as US Application Serial No. 10/605,259 or PCT International Application Number _____ and was amended on _____ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understood the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment(s) referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

Foreign Application(s) and/or Claim of Foreign Priority

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code Section 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor(s) certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor(s) certificate or PCT international application designating at least one country other than the United States of America having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

COUNTRY	APPLICATION NUMBER	DATE FILED	PRIORITY CLAIMED
			YES: _____ NO: _____
			YES: _____ NO: _____

Provisional Application

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code Section 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

APPLICATION SERIAL NUMBER	FILING DATE

U.S. Priority Claim

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code Section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

APPLICATION SERIAL NUMBER	FILING DATE	STATUS(patented/pending/abandoned)

POWER OF ATTORNEY:

As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) listed below to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

Timothy J. Ziolkowski, Reg. No. 38,368
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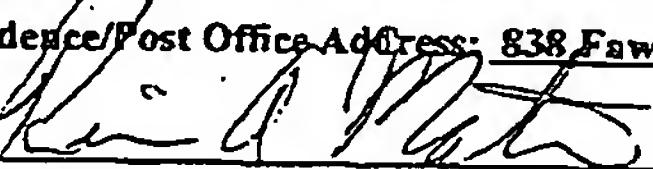
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1743 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Full Name of Inventor: Tim A. Matus

Citizenship: USA

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Inventor's Signature

9/17/03
Date

Full Name of Inventor: James F. Ulrich

Citizenship: USA

Residence/Post Office Address: W9768 Cloverleaf Road, Hortonville, WI 54944


Inventor's Signature

10 Oct 03
Date



STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)

Applicant/Patent Owner: Matus et al.

Application No./Patent No.: 10/605,259 Filed/Issued Date: September 18, 2003

Entitled: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AUTO DETECTION OF CONSUMABLES

Illinois Tool Works Inc., a Corporation,
(Name of Assignee) (Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

states that it is:

1. the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest; or
2. an assignee of less than the entire right, title and interest.
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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

11/10/03

Date

Mark W. Croll

Type or printed name

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Signature

Vice President Patents and Technology

Title

PATENT

Attorney Docket No. ITW7510.065

For: U.S. and/or Foreign Rights

For: U.S. Application or U.S. Patent
By: Multiple Inventors

ASSIGNMENT OF INVENTION

In consideration of the payment by ASSIGNEE to ASSIGNORS of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and for other good and valuable consideration,

ASSIGNOR (inventor):

James F. Ulrich

Name

W9768 Cloverleaf Road

USA

Address

Citizenship

hereby sell, assigns, and transfers to

ASSIGNEE:

Illinois Tool Works Inc.

Type name of ASSIGNEE

A Delaware Corporation

3600 West Lake Avenue

Glenview, IL 60025

Address

and the successors, assigns and legal representatives of the ASSIGNEE

the entire right, title and interest
an undivided _____ percent _____ (%) interest

for the United States and its territorial possessions and in all foreign countries, including all rights to claim priority in and to any and all improvements which are disclosed in the invention entitled:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AUTODETECTION OF CONSUMABLES

and which is found in

(a)

U.S. patent application executed on even date herewith.

(b)

U.S. patent application executed on _____

(c)

U.S. application serial no. 10/605,259 filed on Sept. 18, 2003.

I as an ASSIGNOR signing below hereby authorize and request my attorney, as named in the Declaration and Power of Attorney I executed for this invention on the execution date stated above, to insert the filing date and application number above when it becomes known.

(d) International application no. PCT/_____

(e) U.S. patent no. _____ issued _____

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and, in and to, all Letters Patent to be obtained for said invention by the above application or any continuation, division, renewal, or substitute thereof, and as to Letters Patent any reissue or reexamination thereof.

ASSIGNOR hereby covenants that no assignment, sale, agreement or encumbrance has been or will be made or entered into which would conflict with this assignment;

ASSIGNOR further covenants that ASSIGNEE will, upon its request, be provided promptly with all pertinent facts and documents relating to said invention and said Letters Patent and legal equivalents as may be known and accessible to ASSIGNORS and will testify as to the same in any interference, litigation or proceeding related thereto and will promptly execute and deliver to ASSIGNEE or its legal representatives any and all papers, instruments or affidavits required to apply for, obtain, maintain, issue and enforce said application, said invention and said Letters Patent and said equivalents thereof which may be necessary or desirable to carry out the purposes thereof.

James F. Ulrich

Type Name of Inventor

James F. Ulrich

Signature of Inventor

Date: 10 Oct 03

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 10th day of October, 2003.

May A. Boker

Notary Public State of Wisconsin
My Commission Expires: 8/28/04
